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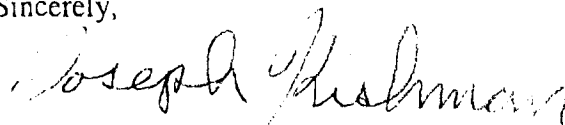
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

As a concerned citizen, I write you in support of the recent settlement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. After three years of court battles, it seems ridiculous to waste our resources on scrutinizing a well-calculated and well-monitored agreement. The process was not only well monitored, but was carried on in the interest of the entire IT sector. Microsoft, as well as other IT companies, is ready to move forward and get back to business. Let us not be the ones to hold them back.

Not only did Microsoft agree to reconfigure licensing and marketing agreements, but also agreed to redesign future versions of Windows in order to help promote non-Microsoft software. If this isn't in the interest of the technology industry as a whole, I don't know what is. As we continue to delay this process, we continue to jeopardize our position in the global market. We need to move forward and get back to business so that we may help out our current economic situation.

I urge you to support the settlement in its current state, and help us to get our IT sector back to business. I thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Joseph Kishman

Cc: Senator Rick Santorum